

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No. : 10/591,494  
Applicant : Tsutomu Yamaguchi  
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 23, 2009, for which a response is due on April 23, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are provided in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this paper.